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S I R:

In response to the Official Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 25, 2003 for this application and in accordance with Rules 142 and 143 of the Rules of Practice, please enter and consider the following remarks. It is believed that no extensions of time and no fees are required for this response. However, should the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determine that any extension of time is required, Applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner consider this document as a Petition for the required extension(s) of time and that any required extension(s) be